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BOARD FOR FIREFIGHTING
PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION

Nov 28, 2016

Wayne Twp. FD

700 N High School Rd

Indpls IN 46214

6pm EST

Agenda

A. Call to order at 6pm

Present

Eric Dreiman

Burke Jones

Eric Gentry

Tom Hanify

Brandon Wood

Genois Brabson

John Smith

Jason Rogers – via webinar

Absent

Greg Wyant

James Greeson

Chris Johnson

+ Rob Lund

B. Consideration and approval of (previous) minutes. Burke Jones made a motion to approve. Tom Hanify seconded. Motion passed.

C. New Variance requests (staff recommends approval)

1. Gregg Moore, Richmond FD, under 18 testing.

Cale Barker, Jordan Smith, Nick Stanley, Brandon Grubb, Tyler Wells, Juan Cervantes, Dakota Wilcox, Dorian Gordon, Seth Youkon, Kameron Satterfield, Justin Wallace, Alex Rogers, Crystal Hegg, Karla Lacout, Paityn Farris and Ivy Murphy.

2. Chris Gorbett – Jefferson High School Science Program, under 18 practical skill testing;
Conner Dilley, Dallas Mitchell
3. William Barowsky, Anderson High School Career Campus, under 18 testing.
Kameron Reed; Daniel Rambo, Thomas Konopa, Nathan Cobb, Chester Mills, Nick Campi, Jeffery Calhoun, Brandon Pickering, Logan Ferguson, William Young, Logan Johnson, Blake Anderson, Kaisy Stewart, Ronald Ingoldsby, Brennen Dowden, Jacob Bradley, Austin Ashbaugh, Logan Krugler, Kegan Derexson, Issac Combs, Ryan McIntyre, Caleb Wheeler, Jacob Young, Wyatt Pyland, Jose Vega.
4. Raymond Collins, Elkhart Area Career Center, under 18 years old testing.
Cassandra Hyatte, Maria MonteDeOca, Eduardo Carrillo, Riley Dowdy, Koby Lundy, Lillian Lundy, Dakota McAllister, Tristen Snider, Jacob Wilson, Malik Gambrell, Dominick Hibshman, Zachary Hill, Khalan Hostetler, Skylar Jones, Brendon Kaser, Victoria Klessner, Seth Mackowicz, Alex Multari, Cody Price, Dominyk Barnard, Patrick Dowllar, Haley Drinkwater, Dylan Lubelski, Jenner Minix, Zachary Williams

Eric Gentry made a motion to approve variance requests 1-4. Genois Brabson seconded. Motion passed.

5. Brandon Taylor is requesting variance for Instructor I.
Eric Gentry made a motion to approve, pending his passing the Instructor Reciprocity test within 90 days from today. Brandon Wood seconded.
Motion passed.

D. New Variance requests (staff recommends denial)

No requests at this time.

E. New Variance requests (staff has no recommendation)

1. Goshen FD is requesting a time extension for completion of prerequisites for Structural Collapse Rescue Ops/Tech. The Board granted them a 1 year extension that expired Sept 28, 2016.
2. Southwest Fire Territory is requesting a time extension for completion of prerequisites for Structural Collapse Rescue Ops/Tech. The Board granted a 1 year extension that expired on Sept 28, 2016.
3. City of Elkhart is requesting a time extension for completion of prerequisites for Structural Collapse Rescue Ops/Tech. The Board granted them a 1 year extension that expired Sept 28, 2016.
4. South Bend FD is requesting a time extension for completion of prerequisites for Structural Collapse Rescue Ops/Tech. The Board granted them a 1 year extension that expired Sept 28, 2016.

Tom Hanify made a motion to table these requests pending more information. He requests to know the schedule for prerequisite completion by the next Board meeting on January 9th 2017. Eric Gentry seconded the motion. Motion passed. John Smith voted nay.

F. State Fire Marshal Report – James Greeson

No report at this time

G. Director of Training/Preparedness – Brandon Wood

Brandon Wood introduced the new employee, Elizabeth Westfall. Elizabeth gave the report. We are changing a few things that will consist of consistency in training. We are starting to use the indianafiretraining.com web site to schedule/advertise classes. We have added several modules for training to the LMS portal accounts. Anyone with a PSID# can sign in and take these courses. So far we have had over 12,000 individuals trained through the LMS system.

Brandon Wood stated that in the last few months the Search and Rescue team have been called out 11 times. These teams consist of $\frac{3}{4}$ firefighters that have trained in search and rescue. There are over 1100 trained

firefighters in SAR's. These teams are not made up of civilians, these are highly trained individuals doing the search and rescue in Indiana and surrounding states.

H. Section Chief of Fire Training – John Buckman III

In 2010 our pass rate on Firefighter I/II was 57%; in 2015 our pass rate is 82%. We are improving testing/training. This is thanks to all staff, coaching staff, certification staff that take that extra step to improve the system.

I would like to suggest to the Board an alternate option for Driver Operator. We would like to add an alternate way of learning similar to the Firefighter I/II modular system. Module A would be chapters 1-11 and 19. You would get a certificate of completion after passing a 50 question test. Module B you would bring in chapters 12-14 for the pumper, take a 50 question test and be certified in Pumper. Module C would be the chapters pertaining the aerial, take a 50 question test get certified for aerial, and the same with mobile water for module D. Modules B-D could be taken in any order after they have completed Module A. This stops the repetitive training. I will have a detailed program at the January meeting.

I. Administrative Proceedings/ Non-Final Orders

No report at this time

J. Request for Administrative Appeals – Chairman

No report at this time

K. Old Business

1. Elections:

Nominations were:

Eric Dreiman – Chair; Tom Hanify made a motion to approve, Eric Gentry seconded. Motion passed

Eric Gentry – Vice Chair; Burke Jones made a motion to approve, Tom Hanify seconded. Motion passed.

Rob Lund – Secretary; Geno Brabson made a motion to approve, Tom Hanify seconded. Motion passed.

Dates and locations of 2017 meetings are posted on the state calendar

2. 655 IAC proposed changes

L. New Business

Larry Curl, the IVFA State Lobbyist had a heart attack. His is doing well and is now home.

M. Open discussion, comments, questions?

John Smith talked about an individual firefighter that has admitted to setting several fires in Dubois County. Right now he has been charged, not convicted of this. The Board was informed that staff kept a record of individuals charged with crimes and we watched to see the outcome of them. These individuals have been charged only, not convicted. Legal advised that once they were charged, the Board could then take action if they wanted to.

N. Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm

O. Next meeting:

January 9th 2017 6pm

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Approved: Eric Dreiman Date: 1-9-17
Eric Dreiman, Chairman